REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 14, 15 and 27 have been canceled, and claims 3, 4, 6, 8-11, 13, 16-18, 20, 28 and 29 have been amended. Claims 3-13, 16-26 and 28-30 remain in the application.

In the Office action mailed 9/27/2004, the Examiner indicated that claims 21-26 are allowed and objected to claims 3, 7, 11, 12, 16, 19, 29 and 30 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but the Examiner indicated that these claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, claims 3 and 11 have been rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of original claims 1 and 2. Claim 16 has been rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of original claims 14 and 15. Claim 29 has been rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of original claim 27.

The drawings have been objected to because the section line 6-6 is not fully shown in Fig. 2. Accordingly, applicant submits, with this amendment, three new sheets of drawings with Fig.

2 corrected. The three new drawing sheets are each labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the header.

In view of the preceding remarks, applicant requests reconsideration and allowance of claims 3-13, 16-26 and 28-30.

Respectfully submitted,

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